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Dear Ms. Hesse:

I am a translator and a bilingual aide in the Alhambra School District, and have been working in education for more than 15 years. I know the problems of our school system first hand, and know that increased funding can go a long way towards improving the quality of education our children receive.

That's why I can't believe our federal government has spent \$35 million of taxpayer dollars on the antitrust lawsuit against Microsoft. That money is sorely needed in our schools, and could have gone to solve real problems facing our children. The only positive note is the proposed consent decree between the company and the Department of Justice.

If the government and Microsoft have come to an agreement, I say let's ratify it and get on with solving real problems facing real people. I support the proposed consent decree not only because it addresses the major charges against the company; it allows our leaders to get back to work on the greater issues affecting ordinary citizens.

Sylvia Fernandez

Sincerely,

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